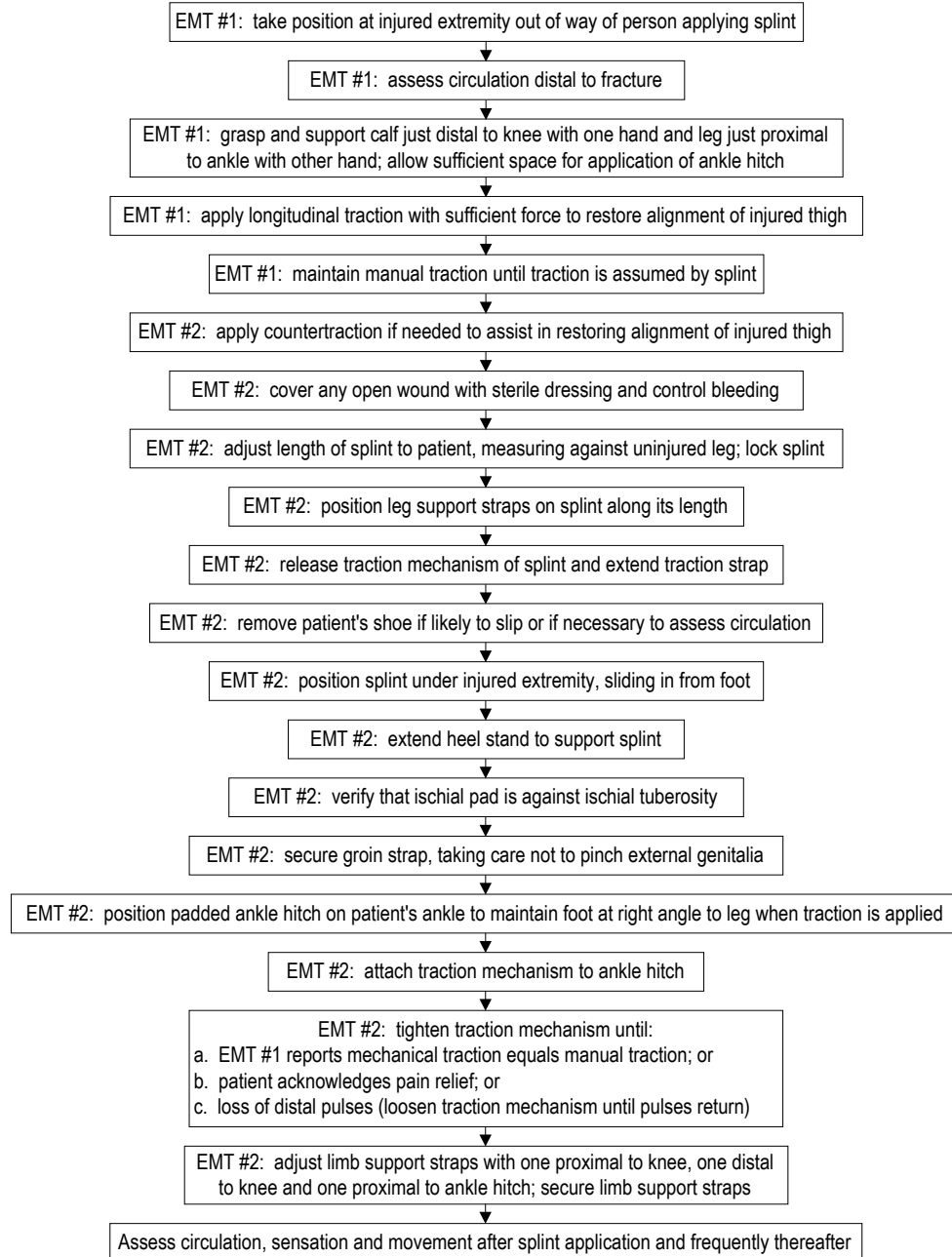


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**MILWAUKEE COUNTY EMS  
PRACTICAL SKILL  
TRACTION SPLINTING**

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<b>Purpose:</b>		<b>Indications:</b>	
To provide stabilization and anatomic position of a femur fracture		Femur fracture	
<b>Advantages:</b>	<b>Disadvantages:</b>	<b>Complications:</b>	<b>Contraindications:</b>
Decreases pain, muscle spasm Prevent further damage	Application may delay transport Requires 2 EMTs to apply	Straps holding the splint in place may restrict peripheral circulation if soft tissue swelling occurs	Ankle dislocation Knee dislocation Hip fracture



**NOTES:**

- If the unit is not equipped with a pediatric traction splint, two padded board splints may be applied.